

**PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD**

1. DATE 26 August 1954	2. LOCATION Danville, Virginia	12. CONCLUSIONS	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 26/1115Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar	<input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon  <input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft  <input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical  <input type="checkbox"/> Other <u>UNIDENTIFIED</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unknown	
5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	6. SOURCE Civilian		
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 2 Minutes	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 2	9. COURSE Vertical	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Elliptical with dome on top 8 X 20 ft - silver with orange glow. Hovered then climbed side by side disappearing in 2 minutes. Clear visibility 7 miles in NW at 30 deg elevation. Got brighter as object climbed		11. COMMENTS 1 observer - engraver and minister Reliability unknown. Winds low speed from west. <u>UNIDENTIFIED</u>	

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FM COMDR FLTSVCCEN OLMSTED AFB PA

TO JEPHQ/DIROFINT HQ USAF WASHDC

JEDWP/AIR TECHINTCEN WPAFB OHIO

JEDEN/COMDR ADC ENT AFB COLO

JEPFF/COMDR MATS ANDREWS AFB WASHDC

JEPQW/COMDR CONAC MITCHEL AFB NY

JESRO/COMDR HQ FLTSVC ORLANDO AFB ORLANDO FLO

1 DESCRIPTIONS

- A. ELIPTICAL WITH DOME ON TOP
- B. 8 FEET BY 20 FEET
- C. SILVER WITH ORANGE GLOW AT EITHER END ORANGE GLOW EXTENDED 10 FEET

D. TWO

E. SIDE BY SIDE ON LEVEL PLANE

F. ELLIPTICAL 20 FEET LONG 8 FEET THICK WITH DOME ON TOP

G. ORANGE GLOW EITHER END EXTENDING APPROX 10 FEET

APPEARED BRIGHTER AS OBJECT CLIMBED

H. NO SOUND

I. NONE

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2 DESCRIPTION OF COURSE OF OBJECTS

- A. NOTICED TWO OBJECT HOVERING
- B. NORTH WEST OF OBSERVER ELEVATION 30 DEG UPON SIGHTING DISAPPEARED VERTICALLY
- C. OBJECTS HOVERING AT DISCOVERY THEN CLIBED SIDE BY SIDE VERTICALLY AT TERRIFIC RATE OF SPEED DISSAPPEARING
- C. CLIBED OUT OF SIGHT
- E. TWO MINUTES

3 MANNER OF OBSERVATION

- A. GROUND VISUAL
- B. NONE
- C. N/A

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4 TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING

- A. 26/1115Z
- B. DAY

5 LOCATION OF OBSERVER

- A. APPROX 3634N 7852W

- B. 510 [REDACTED] N/A

6 IDENTIFYING INFORMATION OF OBSERVER

- A. CIVILIAN [REDACTED] 37 DANVILLE VA  
OCCUPATION ENGRAVER AND MINISTER RELIABILITY UNKNOWN

7 WEATHER AND WINDS ALOFT

- A. DAYLIGHT CLEAR AND GOOD VISIBILITY
- B. SURFACE 225/ DEGREES 3 KNOTS

6200 300 17

10000 260 12

16000 270 14

22000 270 18

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C. CLEAR

D. 7 MILES

E. NONE

F. NONE

18/ ANY OTHER UNUSUAL ACTIVITY

A. NONE

(9) PHYSICAL EVIDENCE OF SIGHTING

A. NONE

10/ INTERCEPTION ACTION

A. NONE

11/ AIRTRAFFIC IN THE AREA OF SIGHTING

A. NONE

12/ PREPARED BY OPERATIONS OFFICER OLMSTED FLT SV CEN

13/ NO FURTHER INFO AVAILABLE THIS CENTER

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NO CASE (INFORMATION ONLY)

27 Aug 54  
Woodside, Calif

SOURCE: CRIFO Newsletter, 1 Oct 54

~~SECRET~~ **MYSTERY METAL IGNITES ROAD:** Woodside, California officials and residents were baffled by a shower of white-hot metal pellets, Aug. 27, 1954. The furore was triggered when a woman motorist saw a "circle of fire" along Pertola Road. Later firemen found scores of small pieces of flaming metal burning the pavement over an area about 70 by 250 feet. The blacktop bubbled where the metal burned into it and grass fires were started where the metal burned along the shoulders of the highway. A resident, Ignacio Miramontes, reported hearing a loud explosion about 4:15 P.M., but saw nothing.

~~SECRET~~ According to U.P. release, "Metallurgists and AF officials offered no solution for the white-hot pellets." San Mateo officials reported the pellets ranging in size from a dime to a 50 cent piece, and according to W. ~~SECRET~~ <sup>SECRET</sup> the metal shower burned holes in the road surface a quarter of an inch deep. "I just can't figure it out," he said. "It has me completely mystified." ~~SECRET~~ said the metal scraps had irregular marking and appeared to have come from a "cylindrical object."

~~SECRET~~ An Air Force spokesman advanced the theory, the metal came from jet plane exhaust pipes which reach extreme temperatures in flight. However, a check with air bases disclosed no military jets were in the bay area Friday. (Thanks to ~~SECRET~~ Duarre and an unnamed informant who sent in the story from San Francisco Call Bulletin.)